(b) if so, whetrer the French team visited India in the last week of February, for holding talks;

(c) if so, what was the outcome thereof; and

(d) whether any agreement has been reached?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI D. L. BAITHA): (a) France has offered their certain technologies for development of Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) by India.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No agreement has been reached.

Growth Rate in the Eighth Five Year Plan

2629. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Prime Minister has stressed to the Planning Commission that the growth rate in the Elghth Five Year Plan should be projected at 7 per cent to achieve the desired economic development;

(b) if so, what is the percentage fixed by the Planning Commission in the draft approach paper;

(c) if so, whether in view of the Prime Minister's desire, the Planning Commission has accordingly revised their plan programme; and

(d) if so, what are the main amendments made in the draft approach paper, prepared by the Planning Commission?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAV SINH SOLANKI): (a) to (d) Under the direction of its Chairman, the Prime Minister, the Planning Commission has been examining various alternatives of growth. The Approach Paper for the Eighth Plan has not yet been finalised.

Probe by CBI during 1988

2630. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 112 civil servants had faced a probe by CBI during 1988;

(b) if so, the total number of civil servants against whom action has been taken; and

(c) the number of cases still pending for disposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) No, Sir. The actual number is 596.

(b) Action has been taken against 246 civil servants.

(c) 204 cases.

Marketing of Irrational Combinations of Drugs

2631. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:
DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that irrational combinations of drugs are being marketed in the country;

(b) if so, what is the rationale behind the combination of enzymes with anti-inflamatory agents, psychotherapeutic combinations, antidiarrhoeals with anti-motility, and Tonics containing alcohol and

stimulants and since when each combinations is being marketed;

(c) what is the composition of each;

(d) what are the names of five brands of each combination, name of the producer and the price of each;

(e) whether it is a fact that all these combinations are irrational, useless and dangerous;

(f) whether the expert committee set up by his Ministry for withdrawal of irrational combinations have considered these combinaions; and

(g) if so, what is their reaction on each combination and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) The Expert Sub-Committee of the Drugs Consultative Committee is engaged in examination of formulations moving in the market, licensd by State Drug Controllers, from the angle of therapeutic efficacy, safety and rationality in the context of the knowledge presently available. Such examination would also include rationality of combinations of enzyme with anti-inflamatory agents, psychotherapeutic combinations, anti-diarrhoeal combinations tonics, etc. which are in the market for many years.

(c) and (d) The detailed composition of combinations named above including their brand names, name of the manufacturer as well as the retail price of each brand is accessible in the Monthly Index of Medical Specialities (MIMS INDIA), Volume 9, No. 7, July, 1989 published by MIMS India, 90 Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.

(e), (f) and (g) The Experts Committee have not yet examined the above combinations except that it has done an exercise in streamlining the tonics. However, the report of the experts committee has to be examined by the Drugs Consultative Committee (DCC) and the Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), statutory bodies under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

Marketing of Combinations of Drugs

2632. SHRI P. N. SUKUL:

DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that combination of Diazapam with Vitamin B 6, Chlordiazepoxide with Amitrytaline, Haloperidal wih Trithexpemidyl and Chlordizepoxide with Cledinth are being marketed in the country;

(b) if so, the names of five brands of each being marketed, alongwith the composition of each and the name of manufacturer of each;

(c) whether it is a fact that all these combinations are irrational and injurious for human consumption;

(d) what are the advantage, the side-effect, contraindiction and dangerous effects of each combination; and

(e) what steps are being taken by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to stop marketing of these combinations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) The combination mentioned under part (a) of the question have been licensed by the State Drug Control Authorities for marketing in the country.

(b) The different grands of the various commbinations mentioned in part (a) of the question alongwith the composition as well as the name of the manufacturer are accessible in the Monthly Index of Medical Specialities, Volume 9, No. 7, July, 1989 published by MIMS India, No. 98 Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.

(c) and (d) The above combinations have not been reviewed by the experts